

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

# Senior Affairs Advisory Board (SAAB) Minutes

## Wednesday, March 2, 2005

(Amended)

Meeting was called to order at 11:07 a.m. by Chairperson Pat Ford.

<u>Members Present:</u> Millie Acasio, Dolli Cutler, Sam Duran, John Patrick Ford, Floyd Willis, Leane Marchese, Sharon McColl, Madeline Paul, Donald Steele <u>Excused Absences:</u> Cheryl Wilson, William Liu <u>Absent:</u> Rosemary White-Pope, Rudy Fernandez <u>Staff Present:</u> Diana Gray, Mona Jagtiani <u>Guests:</u> Kristi Fenick, Susan Ferguson, Ruby Villa, Alison Waite

Minutes of February 2, 2005 meeting were approved as presented.

Introductions were made.

#### **Modifications to the Agenda:**

The agenda was amended to include a review of policy on excused absences.

#### **Old Business:**

**Housing Task Force** (Cheryl Wilson): Leane Marchese reported on the Housing Task Force. The Task Force is looking at issues with the City that are doable to impact Senior Housing. One area of focus will be to look into affecting lobbying. There is an intergovernmental document being put together for May/June 2005 that will address some of the issues impacting senior housing.

Leane met with Claudine Duff of the California Senior Legislature Regional Task Force and was informed that the shared housing proposal that she helped draft would be taken forward to the group at the state level where it will be determined if the proposal would be identified as one of the bills that the Senior Legislature Task Force would take forward to the state.

Tax Increment money was discussed as being important to the generation of affordable senior housing. This will be discussed further because with tax increment, there is a timing requirement that is critical and key to obtaining the use of these funds in the development of senior housing.

Seniors Ride Free (Floyd Willis): The Seniors Ride Free Task Force met today prior to the SAAB meeting. This task force is taking a look at what transportation services are available to seniors within San Diego and how to get City support for any endeavor that the task force undertakes. Floyd Willis reported that he was aware of several agencies that have some involvement with transportation services. He mentioned three as being on the forefront, SANDAG's coordinated transportation service agency, SanDi-Can and the City's Public Safety

and Neighborhood Services Committee. According to Floyd, the overall process is important as he looks to see how this task force undertakes the Seniors Ride Free concept.

Transportation Survey (William Liu): Medical absence

**Annual Report to Public Safety & Neighborhood Services Committee:** SAAB is preparing to draft a report to be presented in May or June 2005.

**SAAB** Attendance Policy: Currently there is a policy in place that addresses absences. Board members will confirm their attendance for a scheduled meeting with Diana Gray upon receipt of the meeting notice and enclosures for the agenda. If a member is unable to attend due to illness, absence from the city or a business conflict, their absence will be recorded as excused upon notice to Diana. Any member missing three meetings in one year without a recorded excuse will be referred to the City Council for replacement.

### **Public Comment:**

There was no public comment.

**New Business:** None at this time.

The Scroll: March/April issue of The Scroll was distributed

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Next Meeting - Wednesday, April 6, 2005

Chairperson: Patrick Ford

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